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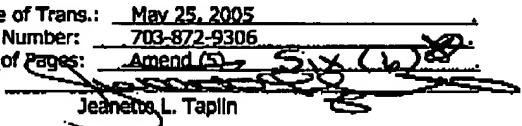
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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 25, 2005I. Status of claims

Claims 1-32 were pending.

Claims 6-13 and 19-28 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1, 14, and 29 are independent claims. Claims 2-5 and 30 depend from independent claim 1. Claims 15-18 and 31 depend from independent claim 14. Claim 32 depends from independent claim 29.

II. Claim rejections

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-5, 14-18, and 29-32 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Hartrick (U.S. 5,428,529).